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The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

Agenda item 17: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

1. **The Chairman** drew attention to rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning elections by secret ballot and to paragraph 16 of decision 34/401 on the same subject.

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/57/101; A/C.5/57/5)

2. **The Chairman** drew attention to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and said that the General Assembly needed to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on 31 December 2002. The Secretary-General had informed the General Assembly (in document A/C.5/57/5) of the nomination of six persons by their respective Governments. Since the number of candidates from three regional groups, namely the Group of African States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States was equal to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly the appointment of the four candidates endorsed by their respective regional groups to the Advisory Committee for a three-year term beginning on January 2003.

3. *Mr. Hernandez (Dominican Republic), Mr. Mazet (Germany), Ms. McLurg (United States of America) and Mr. Zahran (Egypt) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.*

4. **The Chairman**, after recalling the provisions of rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, invited the Committee to elect by secret ballot one candidate from the Group of Eastern European States.

5. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Agyeman (Ghana), Ms. Samayoa-Recari (Guatemala) and Ms. Wahab (Indonesia) acted as tellers.

6. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	178
Invalid ballots:	2
Number of valid ballots:	176
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	176
Required majority:	89
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Kuznetsov (Russian Federation)	106
Mr. Aptsiauri (Georgia)	70

7. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Kuznetsov (Russian Federation) was recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.*

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/57/102; A/C.5/57/6)

8. **The Chairman** drew the attention of the Committee to rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and said that the Assembly needed to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the Committee on Contributions on 31 December 2002. The Secretary-General had informed the General Assembly (in document A/C.5/57/6) of the names of six persons nominated by their respective Governments. Since the number of candidates from the four regional groups, namely the Group of Asian States, the Group of Eastern European States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, and the Group of Western European and Other States, was equal to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly the appointment or reappointment of the six candidates endorsed by their respective regional groups to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2003.

9. *Mr. Gurgel de Alencar (Brazil), Mr. Mareyev (Russian Federation), Mr. Meijerman (Netherlands), Mr. Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea), Mr. Sessi (Italy) and Mr. Wu Gang (China) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions.*

(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/57/103; A/C.5/57/7)

10. **The Chairman** drew the attention of the Committee to document A/C.5/57/7, in which the

Secretary-General submitted for confirmation by the General Assembly the reappointment of three members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2003. Since the number of candidates was equal to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly confirmation of the three persons appointed by the Secretary-General to the Investments Committee.

11. *Ms. Bovich (United States of America), Mr. Ohta (Japan) and Mr. Stormonth-Darling (United Kingdom) were recommended for reappointment to the Investments Committee.*

(d) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (A/57/104; A/C.5/57/8)

12. **The Chairman** drew the attention of the Committee to document A/C.5/57/8, in which the Secretary-General communicated to the General Assembly the names of two persons nominated by their respective Governments to fill vacancies that would arise in the membership of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal on 31 December 2002. Since the number of candidates was equal to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly the appointment or reappointment of the two candidates to the United Nations Administrative Tribunal.

13. *Mr. Haugh (Ireland) and Ms. Scott (United States of America) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Administrative Tribunal.*

(e) International Civil Service Commission

(i) Appointment of members of the Commission (A/57/105; A/C.5/57/9)

14. **The Chairman** said that, as indicated in document A/57/105, the terms of office of five members of the International Civil Service Commission would expire on 31 December 2002. Document A/C.5/57/9 contained the names of seven persons nominated by their respective Governments to fill the resulting vacancies. Since the number of candidates from the group of Eastern European States and the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States was equal to the number of vacancies for those groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly the reappointment of the two candidates endorsed by their respective regional groups to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2003.

15. *Mr. Sanchis Muñoz (Argentina) and Mr. Wyzner (Poland) were recommended for reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission.*

16. **The Chairman**, drawing attention to rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, invited the Committee to elect by secret ballot two candidates from the Group of African States.

17. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Al-Mansour (Kuwait), Ms. Vrhovac (Croatia) and Mr. Wins (Uruguay) acted as tellers.*

18. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	180
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	180
Abstentions:	1
Number of members voting:	179
Required majority:	90
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Bel Hadj Amor (Tunisia):	159
Mr. Boateng (Ghana):	140
Ms. Daddah (Mauritania):	48

19. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Bel Hadj Amor (Tunisia) and Mr. Boateng (Ghana) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission.*

20. **The Chairman** invited the Committee to elect by secret ballot one candidate from the Group of Western European and Other States.

21. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Agyeman (Ghana), Ms. Samayoa-Recari (Guatemala) and Ms. Wahab (Indonesia) acted as tellers.*

22. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	180
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	180
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	180
Required majority:	91
Number of votes obtained:	
Ms. Szlazak (Canada):	107
Mr. Stöckl (Germany):	73

23. *Having obtained the required majority, Ms. Szlazak (Canada) was recommended for appointment to the International Civil Service Commission.*

(ii) Designation of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Commission (A/57/105; A/C.5/57/9/Add.1)

24. **The Chairman** drew attention to document A/C.5/57/9/Add.1, in which the Secretary-General communicated to the General Assembly the names of two candidates nominated by their respective Governments for the posts of Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the International Civil Service Commission. Since there were no other candidates, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly the reappointment of the two candidates as Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the International Civil Service Commission.

25. *Mr. Bel Hadj Amor (Tunisia) and Mr. Wyzner (Poland) were recommended for reappointment as Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the International Civil Service Commission.*

(j) Appointment of a member of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee (A/57/111; A/C.5/57/10)

26. **The Chairman** drew attention to documents A/57/111 and A/C.5/57/10, in which the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly of the resignation of Mr. Vislykh (Russian Federation) from the United Nations Staff Pension Committee, and of the nomination of Mr. Kovalenko (Russian Federation) to fill the remainder of Mr. Vislykh's term of office. Since there were no other candidates, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend to the General Assembly the appointment of Mr. Vislykh to the United Nations Staff Pension Committee for a term beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 31 December 2003.

27. *Mr. Kovalenko (Russian Federation) was recommended for appointment to the United Nations Staff Pension Committee.*

Organization of work

28. **The Chairman**, drawing attention to the programme of work for the week beginning Monday, 4 November 2002, said that, henceforth, when the Committee began consideration of an agenda item, only introductory statements by the Secretariat would be heard on the first day, and that general statements by delegations would be made at the next meeting at which the item was considered. He noted that, during the month of Ramadan, afternoon meetings would begin at 2.30 p.m. and end at 5.30 p.m.

The meeting rose at 12.05 p.m.